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I had been due at Reims today for a concert of the Boston Cecilia Society sponsored by Jacqueline de Caraman Chimay. However, there were so many things to do here that I cancelled it.

This afternoon we went to see Raoul Boyer. He has had a recurrence of cancer and is now unable to leave his fifth floor apartment on Rue de Rivoli. The climb is too much for him and I fear he cannot ever recover his health. He is my oldest friend in France and his condition makes me very sad.

Jean Monnet called me tonight about the possible appointment as United States Minister to Luxembourg of somebody who might at the same time take over the American representation to the Coal and Steel Community. I told him I thought such reports improbable and there must be a misunderstanding. He said he would check it further.

Bert Jolis came to see me at the house this evening. He is taking Eva home on Monday and she will have her baby in New York. We had a long talk about Communist activities in Africa, a subject on which he is a great expert.

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